Sanitary Commission, and nothing in this article shall be taken or construed to affect, change, modify, limit or restrict in any manner any of the corporate powers of the mayor and city council of Baltimore which it now has or which hereafter may be granted to it.

In addition to, but not in substitution of, the powers which have been, or may hereafter be, granted to it, such legislative body also shall have the following express ordinance-making powers:

- (24A) To provide for the purchase of materials, supplies, and equipment through the Purchasing Bureau of the State Department of General Services whenever desirable.
- SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That new Section 3A be and it is hereby added to Article 25 of the said Code, title "County Commissioners," subtitle "General Provisions," to follow immediately after Section 3 thereof, and to read as follows:

3A.

The county commissioners of each county in this State may, whenever desirable, provide for the purchase of materials, supplies, and equipment through the Purchasing Bureau of the Department of General Services as provided in Article 41 of this Code.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That Section 5(F) of Article 25A of the said Code, title "Chartered Counties of Maryland," subtitle "Express Powers," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

5.

The following enumerated express powers are hereby granted to and conferred upon any county or counties which shall hereafter form a charter under the provisions of said Article 11A of the Constitution, that is to say:

(F)

To provide for competitive bidding for any county work and the making and awarding of contracts requiring bonds whenever proper. To also provide for the purchase of materials, supplies, and equipment through the Purchasing Bureau of the State Department of General Services whenever desirable.

SEC. 5. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1972.

Approved May 5, 1972.

## CHAPTER 260 (House Bill 40)

AN ACT to add new Section 54 to Article 78A of the Annotated Code of Maryland, (1969 Replacement Volume and 1971 Supplement), title "Public Works," to follow immediately after Section 53 thereof,